

SHIFTING BOUNDARIES CURRICULUM

RESOURCES for youth middle school sixth and seventh grade.

KEY FEATURES

Shifting Boundaries is an evidence-based two-part intervention—a classroom curriculum and schoolwide component—designed to reduce peer and dating violence and sexual harassment among middle school students by highlighting the consequences of this behavior and by increasing faculty surveillance of unsafe areas within the school.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Trained facilitators will provide engaging and powerful lessons aimed at reducing the incidence and prevalence of dating violence and sexual harassment among adolescents. The training will be covered in six sessions.

IMPACT

- Increase knowledge and awareness of sexual abuse and harassment.
- Promote prosocial attitudes and a negative view of dating violence and sexual harassment.
- Promote nonviolent behavioral intentions in bystanders.
- Reduce the occurrence of dating violence and peer violence.
- Reduce the occurrence of sexual harassment.

COMPONENTS

Classroom Curriculum has six sessions:

1. Construction of gender roles
2. Setting and Communicating of Boundaries in interpersonal relationships
3. Health relationships
4. The role of bystander as intervener
5. The consequences of perpetrating
6. The state and federal laws related to dating violence and sexual harassment.

Schoolwide Intervention which are conducted on the same schedule as the classroom curricula.

1. Revising school protocols for identifying and responding to dating violence and sexual harassment
2. Introduction of temporary restraining orders.
3. Installation of posters in the school to increase awareness and reporting of dating violence/harassment.
4. Hotspot mapping with students to identify any unsafe areas of the building.